



IFW

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Temple

Serial No.: 10/827,493

Group Art Unit: 3739

Filed: April 19, 2004

Examiner:

For: HEATER FOR SURGICAL VIEWING INSTRUMENTS

**TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
WITHIN THREE MONTHS OF FILING OR BEFORE MAILING
OF FIRST OFFICE ACTION (37 CFR 1.97(b))**

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

The information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed within three months of the filing date of the application or date of entry into the national stage of an international application or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, whichever event occurs last. 37 CFR 1.97(b).

Date: Sept. 16, 2004

John G. Posz
GIFFORD, KRASS et al.
280 N Old Woodward Ave., Ste 400
Birmingham, MI 48009
FAX 734/913-6007

Reg. No.: 37,424

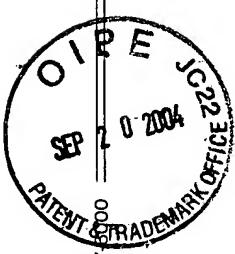
Tel. No.: 734/913-9300

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date: 9/16/04

Sheryl L. Hammer



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Temple

Serial No.: 10/827,493

Group Art Unit: 3739

Filed: April 19, 2004

Examiner:

For: HEATER FOR SURGICAL VIEWING INSTRUMENTS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the reference listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(g), this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other possible material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a) exists. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(h) this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited in the statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in §1.56(b).

Respectfully submitted,

By _____

John G. Posa
Reg. No. 37,424

Date: Sept. 16, 2004

GIFFORD, KRASS, GROH, SPRINKLE, ANDERSON & CITKOWSKI, P.C. 280 N. OLD WOODWARD AVENUE, STE. 400, BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN 48009-5394 (248) 647-6100

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION

(Use several sheets if necessary)

SEP 20 2004
U.S. PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICEDocket Number (Optional)
MMC-10902/29Application Number
10/827,493

Applicant(s)

Temple

Filing Date

April 19, 2004

Group Art Unit

3738

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		2002/0022762A1	2/21/2002	Beane et al	600	101	

U.S. PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS

*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
						YES	NO

OTHER DOCUMENTS

(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP Section 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.